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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *A National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, GN Docket No. 09-51; *Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 07-135; *Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket No. 01-92; *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90; *High Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Docket No. 05-337; *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 13, 2011, Ken Mason, Vice President of Government and Regulatory Affairs for Frontier Communications and the undersigned met with Christine Kurth, Policy Director and Wireline Counsel to Commissioner McDowell, to discuss the above-captioned proceedings.

Frontier emphasized its support for the America's Broadband Connectivity Plan ("ABC Plan") and Joint Framework filed in these dockets. Frontier believes that these documents provide the correct framework for reform and that significant modifications to the ABC Plan could impede carriers' ability to meet the Commission's goal of ubiquitous broadband deployment. Frontier supported the ABC Plan's approach to intercarrier compensation reform and explained why it provided the necessary transitions and recovery mechanisms while the industry moves towards a more unified rate. The parties also discussed the importance of the ABC Plan's targeted approach to providing service only to high-cost areas over a ten-year funding period with commensurate obligations.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

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